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December 19, 2002

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 12 Street, S.W., TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Motion for Extension of Time to File Petition for Reconsideration to the Fifth Payphone Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-128

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find attached a Motion for a two week extension of time to allow WorldCom to consider filing a Petition for Reconsideration to the Commission's recently released Fifth Payphone Reconsideration Order.

If you have any questions, please notify me at 202-736-6513

Sincerely,

Larry Fenster

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cc: Lynne Milne Jon Stover Before the

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Implementation of the)	
Pay Telephone Reclassification)	CC Docket No. 96-128
and Compensation Provisions of)	
The Telecommunications Act of 1996)	

WORLDCOM, INC. MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Section 1.46(b) of the Commission's rules,¹ WorldCom hereby files a Motion for a two week extension of time to allow WorldCom to consider filing a Petition for Reconsideration to the Commission's recently released Fifth Payphone Reconsideration Order.²

The Order was published in the Federal Register December 3, 2002. The thirty days allowed to file Petitions for Reconsideration would be due by January 2, 2003.³ Nearly half of the allowed time falls during the Winter holiday season, when many of the persons needed to evaluate the business impact and review and craft a possible response will be on vacation. WorldCom respectfully requests a two week extension of time, until January 16, 2003, to determine whether to file a Petition for Reconsideration to the above-mentioned Order. The above-mentioned Order

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¹ 47 C.F.R. 1.46(b)

² Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-128, Fifth Order on Reconsideration and Order on Remand, Rel. October 23, 2002.

 $^{^{3}}$ 47 C.F.R. \ni 1.106(f).

involves the complicated settling of payments with interest for six years of dial around payphone compensation, and the evaluation of its impact on WorldCom's business operations is involving a significant amount of time. WorldCom requires the additional time in order for its business units to fully evaluate the impact of the Order, and then once that is accomplished, to consult with other advisors, determine whether to file a Petition for Reconsideration, and draft an appropriate response.

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Statement of Verification

I have read the foregoing and, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, there is good ground to support it, and it is not interposed for delay. I verify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 19, 2002

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Certificate of Service

I, Lonzena Rogers, do hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Petition for Reconsideration of WorldCom Inc. were sent on this 19th day of December, 2002, via first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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